

## Grants and Awards to ASLAPR, FY2005 Project Details

### ***Directly to ASLAPR:***

Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (Staying Connected II) \$141,000

The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation awarded the Arizona State Library, Archives & Public Records \$141,920 in late 2004 for public access computers, training and technical support, and connectivity in libraries where current Internet connections are via dial-up phone lines. Per the Staying Connected grant requirements, the funds were regranted to eligible library districts to support equipment and training in public libraries serving low-income communities, especially communities with persistent poverty. County library districts receiving funds were Apache, Cochise, Coconino, Gila, Graham, Greenlee, LaPaz, Mohave, Pinal, Santa Cruz, Yavapai and Yuma counties.

Libraries for the Future (Equal Access) \$74,873

Arizona libraries were among the first to embrace the EqualAccess Libraries concept of transforming from institutions defined by buildings and books, to centers for lifelong learning and civic engagement. After a successful pilot two years ago, the Arizona State Library collaborated with Libraries for the Future to make Arizona the second state in the nation to host the EqualAccess Libraries Institute. Funds were received throughout the year for an Arizona coordinator, and costs associated with training and supporting two groups of libraries through the process.

Library Service and Technology Act (Museum Project) \$32,283

The Arizona Capitol Museum received 2004 LSTA funds to undertake a feasibility study for "Fighting for Statehood: The Arizona Constitutional Convention of 1910." The museum worked with the Research and Law Library and Archives divisions of the agency to undertake study and develop a comprehensive exhibit plan.

Library Services and Technology Act (Content D-M) \$30,000

In its effort to establish a legacy project for the State of Arizona Centennial (2012), the Arizona State Library has created an online repository to make accessible digital content from relevant Arizona collections of archival material. Phase I of this project, funded in part with 2004 LSTA funds, is a trial phase during which procedures are to be established, look and feel of the site are to be created, and initial trial content will be posted to the site.

Arizona Humanities Council (OneBook) \$6,000

Barnes and Noble (OneBook) \$5,000

Arizona Library Association (OneBook) \$2,000

ONEBOOKAZ 2005 celebrated reading in the State of Arizona by encouraging the reading and exploration of two very different books about the Grand Canyon – one fiction and the other non-fiction – both of which address this fascinating and compelling historical event. Various events, aimed at building partnerships between libraries, schools, museums, other allied institutions, the media, commercial vendors, the authors and the public took place in April.

### ***Coordinated on Behalf of Libraries Across Arizona***

Universal Service Fund

(E-rate to support library telecommunications) \$3,252,134

E-rate provides discounts to assist most libraries and schools in the United States to obtain affordable telecommunications and Internet access. The Arizona State Library, Archives and

Public Records serves as the liaison between state libraries and the SLD. During the last fiscal year, 56 Arizona libraries and library districts received commitment letters.

### ***As Partners or Assistance Providers***

Library of Congress to California Digital Library (Web-at Risk: A Distributed Approach to Preserving Our Nation's Political and Cultural Heritage) \$2,449,417

In collaboration with the California Digital Library, the Arizona State Library is developing a set of tools for use by libraries to capture, curate, and preserve collections of web-based government and political information, including state agency publications and campaign literature. This literature is a critical element of our nation's heritage and is increasingly found exclusively online, putting it at greater risk of being lost. Much of the work is based on research done at the ASLAPR (the Arizona Model).

Library of Congress to University of Illinois (ECHO DEPository) \$ 2,480,412

In collaboration with the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and OCLC, the Arizona State Library is developing a set of software tools to identify, select, acquire, describe, provide access to, and preserve state agency web publications. This project is part of the ECHO DEPository research project funded by the Library of Congress' National Digital Information Infrastructure and Preservation Program and administered by the National Science Foundation. Much of this work is based on the Arizona Model.

Institute of Museum and Library Services to University of Arizona School of Information Resources and Library Science (Knowledge River) \$990,174

The Arizona State Library is providing support to the University of Arizona School of Information Resources and Library Science to recruit 48 Native American and Hispanic students to a master's program in library and information science as part of its Knowledge River initiative. The initiative will also involve 12 second-year Scholars for the Knowledge River program students and 24 Native American and Hispanic high school students in a Teen Community Health Information Institute to explore health sciences librarianship and provide community health services.

### ***Funding Pending***

Gates Foundation (Public Access Computer Hardware Replacement Grant) \$778,500

The Arizona State Library has been selected to apply for a Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation one-time grant program to level the playing field between states and help libraries that were granted older computer models between 1997 and 2000 upgrade their systems with hardware which will be easier to support and upgrade in the future. The funds will provide more than 500 computers to public and tribal libraries across Arizona.

National Historical Publications and Records Commission (Regrant Project) \$10,000

These funds will support a regrant program to preserve and make accessible Arizona's historical records, and provide continuing archival education and training.